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COSTLY BUT CLEAN SPORT.

How many gaudy bills have given a remote view of the amount of money expended by the big managers to provide them with a choice variety of the great American sport which still thrills bawling in the protruding shadows of the grand stand?

Basically like all other good things in those piping times of high tariff schedules, comes high. There are salaries to be paid which might well tempt the statesman to forsake the forum for the field, traveling expenses sufficient to dazzle a star commercial traveler with an unlimited expense account; hotel rates, a host of officials, clerks, stenographers, umpires and special policemen to has, and the added expense for ground rent, maintenance, ticket supply and general wear and tear, running the total up to a sum which is little short of staggering.

It is estimated that the eight clubs of the National league will incur traveling expenses during the incoming season of \$287,000, with hotel expenses of not less than \$50,000. And from the most conservative basis it is figured that the National league will spend this year a total of \$1,181,000 to give the last-dugout fan a high-class article of the national game.

Yet in the face of such enormous expenditures the game is a paying business. The people make it pay. But it requires an annual attendance of more than two millions and a half to allow the magnates to break even. Those insurgents who sought aid and comfort from our former president were misinformed as to the particular brand of insurgency affected by the colored.

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BRIDGE THREATENED

Temporary Structure at Site of Elephant Butte Dam in Danger From Floods.

Special to Evening Herald.

Elephant Butte, N. M., March 16.—The Rio Grande has ceased rising.

For several days now quite a number of men were employed guarding the temporary bridge across the river near the dam site and also the boats and equipment used in connection with the diamond drill investigations. One night 25 men were required to keep the bridge clear of the debris floating in the river. The floor planks were removed from the bridge so that the loss would not be so great if the bridge was wrecked. Travellers had to cross the river on the ferry.

The stars and stripes can be seen floating in the breeze here each day in the small plaza in front of the postoffice.

The postoffice will be moved from its present place to a room in the new mercantile building upon its completion. The building will be located on the hill near the railroad and will be of frame construction.

The new office building will soon be under roof. At present the offices are in large tents.

There are now about 300 men employed by the reclamation service. About 50 of this number are engaged in making adobe brick.

Some snow yet remains in the neighboring mountains.

The flowers are coming out in bloom. In some places among the mountains here, the cacti are budding to bloom. The cottonwood trees have good sized leaves on and things generally are beginning to take on the appearance of spring.

witness Senator Bailemy and Dr. Cook. Therefore may understand fully Sherman and President Taft be of good cheer.

The appointment of a Spanish Pinch adherent to succeed Secretary Ballinger would indicate that Dr. Taft is determined to soothe his members if he has to administer all the mirth in his saddle bags.

Hundreds of thousands of visitors have formed colonies on the west coast of Mexico, say dispatches. This is the first testimony we've had that Japs can live on cactus, beans and salt water.

The Cuban Range is working about those premature senatorial beams. Let us get statehood before smacking the skeletons. The skeletons will keep them from being with us for a long time.

Other county is preparing to gather and sell native tea. My, my, how times have changed. A few years ago the only kind of native tea they had in Other county would make a rattlesnake take the count.

With the colored was sounding lions, elephants and rhinos in Africa, quite a collection of the animals took house at home. It don't pay to scatter too much, colored.

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FEDERATION WILL GO TO ROSWELL

Woman's Clubs of New Mexico Form Permanent Federation and Elect Officers for the Coming Year.

Special to Evening Herald.

Las Cruces, N. M., March 16.—The sessions of the convention of Western clubs of New Mexico adjourned on Tuesday with the election of the following officers:

President Mrs. M. P. Johnson, Roswell; vice-president, Mrs. H. R. Ray, Alamogordo; recording secretary, Mrs. S. J. Nixon, Portales; corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. E. Mason, Roswell; treasurer, Mrs. Ruth Skeen, Artesia; auditor, Mrs. Fugate, Las Vegas; general education state secretary, Mrs. George Frenger, Las Cruces.

Roswell the name of the first state president was selected at the meeting place of 1912.

The sessions of the convention were held in the Elks' opera house and Mrs. Eva Petty Moore, national president of the Federation of Woman's Clubs, was in attendance to aid in the formation of the state federation to affiliate with the national organization.

The Monday morning session was called to order by Mrs. George Frenger, who acted as temporary chairwoman till the election of Mrs. George K. Angle of Silver City, who presided over the following sessions of the convention. The minutes were recorded by Mrs. Brannigan, who was chosen secretary for the first assembly of New Mexico club federation.

Eighteen delegates representing 18 women's club of non-sectarian, non-political principles, were enrolled as charter members of the organization. The names of the delegates and the cities from which they came were: Madam Ruth L. Skeen, Artesia; Laura Wilson Johnson, Roswell; Charles T. Monroe, Portales; Sam J. Nixon, Portales; R. J. Thompson, Tucumcari; J. B. Livesay, La Mesa; D. H. Caena, Burrobadillo and Mulligan, Albuquerque; W. D. McBee, Clovis; George Young, Tularosa; George Keyser Angle, Silver City; Stearn, Santa Rosa; M. O. Llewellyn, Santa Fe.

Of the clubs represented Roswell leads in point of numbers, having a membership of some 250 members.

After cordial expressions of welcome to the visitors by Mayor Young on behalf of the city, and by Mrs. Frenger for the local clubs and an address on "Federation" by Mrs. Moore, the assembly devoted its attention to the business of effecting a permanent organization.

Mrs. D. H. Carns of Albuquerque was made chairman of the nominating committee and the report of the committee was unanimously ratified.

A most enjoyable feature of the gathering was the splendid entertainment provided for the visitors, who expressed their sincere appreciation and pleasure. Monday evening in the opera house the reception in honor of Mrs. Moore of St. Louis, the national president, and the visiting delegates was a delightful function at which the elite of Las Cruces society assembled.

Tuesday at noon the members were entertained by the science department of the college, being taken to the college in automobiles after a ride of two hours over the valley.

The domestic science department was decorated for the occasion with carnations and other flowers, and a five-course luncheon was served by the young women of the college under the direction of Miss Pearl Miller, head of the department.

Mrs. Thompson of Tucumcari presided at the luncheon. Mrs. Taylor of Las Vegas, giving a pretty contribution to the domestic science girls, Mrs. Angle of Silver City, paying a graceful compliment to a whole and Mrs. Johnson of Roswell finishing Dr. W. E. Garrison, president of the college, responded on behalf of the domestic science department and the girls.

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After those powder mill explosions the town of Pleasant Prairie, Wis., we judge is again a pleasant prairie.

By the way, a rumor came to the paragraphs' union yesterday that book beer is in bloom.

Former Speaker Cannon is one of the new terms the proofreader must get next to.

THE GARDEN FOUNTAIN.

For my delight comes dripping wing About your shadows fluttering.
Where fearless, on the mossy brink The blackbird dips his bill to drink.
The sun for my delight shall part The basket of your lily's heart.
Open the folded white For my delight.

And when the garnished moon has come
And all my garden choir is dumb,
When dripping wing has sought the leaves
And shadows of the jasmine saves,
Then suddenly—from the brassy sky
A meteor flash, a dragon fly
Shall on the edge alight
For my delight.

When eve shall peer with slanting rays
Down the sequestered garden ways,
Your constant voice shall call me still
To learn the secrets of the hill,
Or hidden sources whence you slip
To baffle at the marble's lip,
Open your crystal bright
For my delight.

—Marna Pease, in the Spectator.

SAN JUAN WATER RIGHTS

Territorial Engineer Explains Contlicting Reports regarding Water Rights Applications.

Santa Fe, N. M., March 16.—Certain criticism may exist in the conduct of the office of the territorial engineer regarding water rights applications on the San Juan river reported in two of the San Juan county papers are apparently based on a misinterpretation of the law and the facts as the following letter from the territorial engineer explains:

"In the matter of the attached letter from Mr. E. C. Smith, C. E., of Durango, New Mexico, regarding certain details in securing a water right on the San Juan river which you have referred to in the writer for information, beg to state that Mr. Smith, in the rare part of his character, states that in 1906 Messrs. Beck, Jones and himself commenced the construction of the Joe E. Bates ditch now called the Standard Irrigation ditch. The rights, therefore, for the appropriation of water for this ditch, initiated prior to the enactment of the law of 1902, under which we operate and which does not give the engineer authority to validate prior appropriations or other attempts to appropriate.

"The filing of Mr. Black in behalf of the Bates ditch, in order to protect their rights and to call for 59 second feet additional, can only be considered by this office as an original application for 59 second feet, or, if these people have initiated rights prior to the passage of the law of 1902, they have no standing in this office regarding the same. If the application of Mr. Black, for the Bates ditch, were approved by this office, it would lose the priority which was established by the partial construction of the ditch in 1906, and would place it a good ways down the line for appropriation of water under that 1902 law."

"The following is a list of filings made in this office under the law of 1907 on the San Juan river prior to the Black application:

"No. 297—Jay, Turley, Turley, N. M., Sept. 18, 1908, 15,000 second feet, 1,640,000-acre feet for 1,224,100 acres.

"No. 249—Jay, Turley, Turley, N. M., Feb. 18, 1909, 540 second feet for 25,000 acres.

"No. 261—George B. Irving, Farmington, N. M., March 28, 1909, 82,824 second feet for 1,810 acres, pending.

"No. 273—Woman's Mission Society, Farmington, N. M., April 22, 1909, 5 second feet for 35 acres.

"No. 223—N. & H. Rodriguez, Aztec, N. M., May 17, 1909, 2 second feet for 160 acres.

"No. 371—W. Goff Black, Aztec, N. M., Jan. 10, 1910, 59 second feet for 19,000 acres.

"For the above it will be seen that there are a number of applicants that must be satisfied before Mr. Black's application can be approved. The records of this office on the flow of the San Juan show that there is a discharge of about 2,000,000,000 feet per annum and from this you can readily see that, if prior applicants complete their projects, there will be no available water for the Black application. I believe that Mr. Smith should continue his protest upon the merits of his work to date.

"Whether his rights have been forfeited in any way, because of the difference of the 1902 and 1907 laws, is a question for the court rather than for this office to decide.

Former Attorney General W. C. Reid returned to Roswell from Washington, D. C., where he had a conference with officers of the department of the interior, regarding a loan of \$60,000 to build a cement dam from the upper Hondo to the Hondo reservoir completed two years ago by the reclamation service, but without water, because the Hondo sweeps into the sand before reaching the reservoir. The loan if made must be repaid in four years and must be firmly secured, reported Mr. Reid, and the application must come from the Hondo Water Users' association. Probably no interest will be charged by the government on the loan.

"I am well aware of the fact that there is much ignorance of New Mexican conditions throughout the country that the actual facts are quite different from the popular belief, but it is certainly true, in proportion to population, crimes of violence are not so common in New Mexico as in almost any state in the union. Yours truly,

"FRANK W. CLANCY,"
Attorney General.

Captain of the Mounted Police Fred Fornari is investigating the reported obstruction of the public road built by the good roads commission and Superintendent Clinton J. Randall of the United States Indian industrial school to connect the Cerillos road with the road over La Bagada hill.

When the good roads commission wanted to improve the Agua Fria road it made an effort to have the water users consent to a consolidation of ditches crossing the road, but met with stubborn opposition. Supreme Court Clerk Jose D. Serna tried his best to demonstrate to the people the merits of this great remedy as a complexion wash.

D. D. S. seems to remove the cause, whatever the trouble may be, cleansing the skin, and leaving it as soft, as smooth and clear as that of a healthy child.

Get a bottle today and keep it in the house.

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war conditions and the probabilities that it will do."

In striking contrast with the "doughboys" who appeared in San Antonio, girded about with blanket and poncho and tent poles, tripped up by side arms and cup and canteen, were the regiments equipped with the new hausersack, strapped to the pack, strapped to the back.